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In re application of

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For: NOVEL CELLULASE RESISTANT TO SURFACTANT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

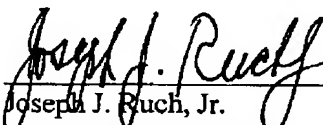
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of December 29, 2005 to February 28, 2006.

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